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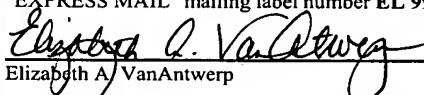
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For: CERAMIC LAMINATED SINTERED BODIES, A METHOD OF PRODUCING
THE SAME, ELECTROCHEMICAL CELLS, CONDUCTIVE
INTERCONNECTORS FOR THE SAME AND ELECTROCHEMICAL DEVICES

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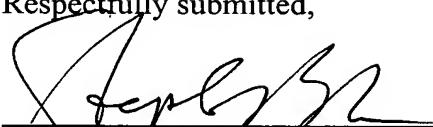
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